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RESPONSE

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Sir:

This Response is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 18, 2003 in the above-identified application.
Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Response for filing in the above-identified application.

- [] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.
- [] A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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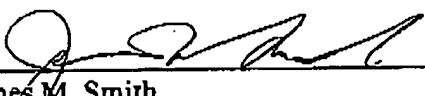
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Respectfully submitted,

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